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GIVES HEALTH DATA FOR NANKING -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Aug 50

Nanking -- During the first 10 days of August 1950 the following data on diseases, patients, and deaths were reported in Nanking:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Patients</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Dysentery	86	1
Diphtheria	1	1
Encephalitis	24	13
Typhoid	13	1
Ague	375	--
Cerebrospinal meningitis	1	--

FINDS PLAGUE VIRUS IN RATS -- Hankow Chekiang Jih-pao, 23 Jul 50

The antiplague campaign in Ch'u Hsien, Chekiang, was started on 29 June 1950. Examination of dead rats revealed that 30 percent had bubonic plague virus which could start an epidemic in this area.

Spraying of DDT and destruction of flea-bearing rats is being pursued in earnest. The hsien government requested the provincial government to send antiplague vaccines for preventive inoculations.

LISTS EPIDEMIC DISEASES IN NING-PO -- Ning-po Shih-pao, 25 Jul 50

Ning-po -- During June 1950, the number and types of cases of diseases and injuries in Ning-po were as follows:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>No of Cases</u>
Diarrhea (except infantile)	33
Cerebrospinal meningitis	1
Whooping cough	11
Pulmonary tuberculosis	138
Skin diseases	98
Eye diseases (except trachoma)	74
Otorhinolaryngological diseases	73
Acute gastroenteritis	114
Cerebral hemorrhage	1
Nervous disorders	233
Gynecological diseases	78
Pneumonia	24
External injuries	113
Typhoid and paratyphoid	13
Diphtheria	1
Ague	160
Syphilis	46
Tuberculosis other than pulmonary	8
Trachoma	73
Bronchitis	166
Infantile diarrhea	209
Insanity	7
Kidney diseases	14
Internal injuries	233

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The Infectious Diseases Hospital in Ning-po gives the following data for
1 - 23 July 1950:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>No of Cases</u>
Acute gastroenteritis	40
Diarrhea (infantile diarrhea not included)	4
Tubercular meningitis	2
Others	6

FINDS NEW CURE FOR ENCEPHALITIS -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 12 Aug 50

Nanking -- An encephalitis epidemic is now ravaging Nanking. The first case of the disease was reported at the Infectious Diseases Hospital in mid-May 1950. By July, the number increased to 20 cases. Other patients, mostly children, found in other hospitals have already been transferred for treatment to the Infectious Diseases Hospital. The fatality rate of this disease is known to be about 70 percent. However, since the discovery of a new medicine called "chiu-mei-su" (1) [numbers refer to appended characters] by the superintendent of the Nanking University Hospital, the fatality rate has been reduced considerably.

The new medicine was tried on eight child patients and seven recovered from the disease. Since the medicine is expensive, it is still not being used widely to treat encephalitis.

134 SCRUB TYPHUS PATIENTS IN CANTON HOSPITAL -- Hong Kong Hsin-tao Jih-pao, 24 Sep 50

Canton, 23 September -- Since the outbreak of the scrub typhus epidemic in Canton, there have been 130 patients confined in the Fan-pien Hospital. Fifty cases were reported in Yueh-hsiu Ch'u, 25 in Yung-han Ch'u, and others were reported in Nan-an, P'an-t'ang, Tung-shan, Hsi-kuan, and Hui-ai-tung.

The following countermeasures were taken in Yueh-hsiu Ch'u from 16 to 20 September: On the 16th, mass meetings were called to teach preventive and treatment methods; on the 17th, 18th, and 19th, inspectors assisted by civilian team captains made inspections of houses, and work-relief units sprayed DDT, cleaned streets, swamps, and ditches. Also on the 19th, all doctors in the ch'u held a consultative meeting, and three liaison stations were set up to make surveys and do research. On the 20th, Dr Chu Ju-liang of Fan-pien Hospital gave a lecture on the causes and treatment of scrub typhus. The Canton government supplied the ch'u with DDT and rat traps.

30,000 OPIUM ADDICTS IN SHANGHAI -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao, 19 Jul 50

Shanghai -- Before the liberation, Shanghai had 150,000 opium addicts. Since the liberation, the number has decreased to 30,000. Similarly, before the liberation, Shanghai had 2,235 prostitutes. This number has been decreased by 1,235.

DRUG ADDICTION CASES TRIED IN SHANGHAI -- Shanghai Hsin-wen Jih-pao, 5 Jul 50

Shanghai -- According to the Shanghai Public Security Bureau, 968 cases of drug addiction or drug trafficking were arraigned before Shanghai people's courts from January to May 1950. In connection with these cases, 1,893 persons

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were apprehended and brought before people's courts. These include 837, selling; 1,039, smoking; 10, trafficking; and 7 persons producing opium.

FIND MARIJUANA SMOKERS IN TOBACCO FACTORIES -- Nanking Hsin-hua Jih-pao,
19 Jul 50

Nanking -- Recently, the Nanking tax bureau agents uncovered several cases of marijuana smoking by workers in the city's tobacco and cigarette factories. Dried leaves and flowers of hemp are smoked in cigarettes by these addicts. The bureau has informed its branch office agents to be on the lookout for such addicts. Local cigarette unions were asked to describe the damaging effects of marijuana smoking to their members.

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